

# Matlock Area U3A

## What's On

This **October 2019** newsletter is sent to all members of the Matlock Area U3A who are registered as current members on the Beacon database and for whom we have an email address.

### Urgent...Committee Vacancies

At the next AGM in 2020, there will be a vacancy on the committee for a new **Membership Secretary**. This is in addition to the post of **Business Secretary** which remains unfilled since the 2019 AGM.

The Membership Secretary's role is an essential one, without which MAU3A could not function. The workload is not onerous, dealing mainly with applications from new members, but has a burst of activity at the beginning of the year when annual subscriptions become due. The role has been made much easier with the introduction of the Beacon database management system, and could be shared between two people.

The Business Secretary's role is to field correspondence, and to draw up agenda and minutes for meetings, which only occur 4 times a year.

It would be really helpful to have the new person/people in place BEFORE the AGM, so that they can shadow the existing Membership Secretary over next year's renewals.

The roles are held for a term of 3 years, and as with the U3A in general, the idea is that the workload is shared between members. If you feel you could contribute to the committee in any way, not just these roles, please contact this link:

[Membership Secretary](#) or [Chairman](#)

## Coffee Morning

### Monday 7th October

Our next coffee morning will be held at Matlock Town Football Club starting at 10.30am. Notices will be read at around 11.00am.

There will be a short presentation from Brian Smith on the “wider U3a”.

The Digidesk will be in action to give help and advice with your digital gadgets. Why not come along and join us for a cup of coffee or tea and biscuits and find out what is going on, you can always bring a friend along too!

Remember there will be a small charge of £1.00 to cover the cost of refreshments and the hire of the room.

## Canasta

The Canasta group has space for new members. They play a relaxed and friendly game, with support for those who have

limited experience. They meet at one of the members house on Fridays from 2 until 4. If you are interested please contact Pam Wildgoose on 01629 583752 or click [Canasta](#).

## New Group....Golf

Rachel Jenkinson is interested in forming a golf group for those who can already play golf. It is anticipated that the group will meet on a regular basis and have fun playing golf. Venue, date, time etc to be decided at a group meeting once sufficient interest has been shown.

She will be at the November coffee morning to meet anyone who is interested or click the link [Golf](#)

## Theatre Group

The theatre group have booked a visit to see the National Theatre live showing of **Hansard** on November 29<sup>th</sup> at Northern Lights cinema, Wirksworth, at 2pm. A witty and devastating new play starring Lindsay Duncan and Alex Jennings, this has had excellent reviews.

For more information contact Jane Entwistle on link [Theatre Group](#)